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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT BY ICELANDIC OFFICIAL TO SMALL BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION

1. SNORRI PETURSSON, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE NORDIC INDUSTRIALIZATION
FUND FOR ICELAND, WILL BE VISITING THE US IN EARLY JANUARY AND
WISHES TO DISCUSS SMALL INDUSTRY WITH SBA OFFICIALS. EMBASSY WOULD
LIKE TO HELP PETURSSON ARRANGE TO SEE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS.

2. MR. PETURSSON VISITED EMBASSY DECEMBER 18 AND REQUESTED
EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING VISIT TO SBA. HIS DANISH
COLLEAGUES HAD IMPRESSED HIM WITH CAPABILITY OF SBA IN ASSISTING
SMALL INDUSTRY AND HE HOPES TO LEARN FOR HIMSELF HOW SBA GOES ABOUT
IT. NORDIC INDUSTRIALIZATION FUND WAS SET UP TO PROMOTE ICELAND'S
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (RELATIVELY MINOR AT PRESENT, BUT GROWING).

3. ACTION REQUESTED. MR. PETURSSON EXPECTS TO BE IN WASHINGTON
ABOUT JANUARY 6 OR 7. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE TENTATIVE APPOINTMENT
WHICH HE COULD CONFIRM FROM ATLANTIC CITY. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT
ASSISTANCE TO MR. PETURSSON COULD PROVIDE COMMERCIAL BENEFITS
FOR THE US SHOULD ICELAND ADOPT US SYSTEMS AND KNOW-HOW.
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